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GRAND ARMY OF REPUBLIC GATHERS IN WASHINGTON

National Capital Filling With Survivors of
Triumphant Army Which Was Reviewed
By President Johnson Fifty Years
Ago--Gray in Evidence

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, Sept. 25.—Abaze with patriotic color, Washington welcomes today the advance guard of the fast-moving union host coming to participate in the forty-ninth annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic which begins here Monday.

Thousands of veterans already have arrived and every train brings hundreds more who fifty years ago marched under the eyes of Grant and the wake of Sherman in the greatest military review the world has ever seen. Thirty thousand survivors of the historic march up Pennsylvania avenue from the capital to the white house, which marked the close of the Civil war, are expected to be here to commemorate on Wednesday that world-thrilling spectacle. In September, 1865, President Johnson bared his head to 160,000 triumphant heroes of the union army. President Wilson next Wednesday will greet those who remain, after half a century, to make the march again.

Extraordinary preparations have been made for the encampment because it probably will be the last Grand Army gathering in the capital. To this end plans for entertaining a hundred thousand visitors have been perfected and the event already gives promise of rivaling inauguration ceremonies in interest and display.

Capitol grounds are being cleared of flying from a thousand stalls. The capital, white house and every government building are draped with the national colors. The streets of the city are radiant lanes of red, white and blue as the throngs of guests and visitors arrive. David J. Palmer, commander-in-chief of the Grand Army and General Nelson A. Miles, retired, who will act as grand marshal of the commemorative review, are among the early arrivals. With them have come scores of men who took conspicuous part in the war.

Big Entertainment.
Although the grand review will be the most spectacular feature of the reunion, many interesting events are on the program for the celebration which will continue until October 3. The war and navy departments have co-operated with the citizens' committee to aid in entertainment of the veterans. Exhibition drills of regular troops are to be held on the Washington monument grounds. Secretary Daniels has arranged to have submarines, torpedo boats and other small craft, unknown in Civil war days here for inspection. There will be hydroplane and aeroplane flights and other features to illustrate the advance in warfare during the fifty years.

Kindred Organizations.
The capital already has taken on the martial air that is reserved for the coming week. The streets are enlivened with veterans and members of organizations allied with the Grand Army which also will hold reunions. Among them are the Sons of Veterans, the Loyal Legion, the Medal of Honor Legion, the Volunteer Officers' Association, the Naval Veterans, Ex-prisoners of War, the Society of the Army of the Potomac, the Society of the Army of the Cumberland, Society of the Army of Ohio, Women's Relief Corps, Ladies of the G. A. R., and Daughters of the Revolution.

Gray Also in Evidence.
With the veterans from many states who wore the Blue have come many of the Gray, specially invited for the occasion. Staff officers of the Confederate Veterans' Union were extended invitations and arrangements for their encampment have been made. This action was taken at the suggestion of officers of the Grand Army, the meeting of the Blue and Gray on the Gettysburg battlefield two years ago having testimony of the amicable relationship existing between the two organizations. Invitations also have been extended to governors of all states and members of their staffs, as well as a large number of distinguished officers of the United States, including members of the cabinet, who will review the soldiers with the president, and members of congress.

The commemorative review will start from the Peace monument at the east entrance to the capital grounds and proceed up Pennsylvania avenue through a court of honor in front of the white house. A huge reviewing stand has been erected there. Besides the veterans in line will be the Sons of Veterans, an escort of citizens and troops of the regular army, marine corps, sailors from the fleet, cadets and independent military bodies.

To Meet in Lenoir.
The ministerium of the Reformed ministers in this part of the state will meet next Monday, Sept. 27, in Lenoir, the guests of the Rev. A. S. Peltor. Dr. Murphy, pastor of the Hickory church, will attend.

RECALL DUMBA VIENNA IS URGED

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, Sept. 25.—Ambassador Penfield at Vienna has been instructed to make it clear to the Austrian government that the United States must insist on the recall of Ambassador Dumba and that his departure on leave of absence would not be satisfactory to the American government.

From messages exchanged between Ambassador Penfield and the state department, it is apparent that the Austrian government misunderstood the position of the American government. Doctor Dumba informed the state department that he had been granted leave of absence, but no action was taken.

The dispatches from Mr. Penfield have not been disclosed, but it is indicated that the ambassador was given to understand that Doctor Dumba's services would not be desired any longer.

The right of a government to recall an ambassador is unquestioned, under international law, and if an ambassador is not recalled, he may be given his passports.

FINANCIAL COMMISSION TAKES HALF HOLIDAY

(By the Associated Press.)
New York, Sept. 25.—Members of the Anglo-French financial commission, who are bargaining for the best terms they may get on the half billion dollar credit, observed a half holiday today. Before the next half holiday rolls around, it was the general expectation of bankers today that an agreement would be reached on the proposed loan.

The maximum loan will be \$500,000,000, probably \$400,000,000, possibly lower, and the interest rate will be 5 per cent.

Whether the program has reached a position where it could be placed before the English and French governments for approval was the cause of much speculation. One banker is quoted as saying that such was the case, though others are doubtful.

NOT REFLECTION ON AMERICAN PEOPLE

(By Associated Press.)
San Francisco, Cal., Sept. 25.—Captain Franz Pape, military attaché to the German embassy at Washington, who is here with Prince von Hatzfeldt, counselor of the embassy, decried today that the expression or words "idiotic yankees" quoted in a letter to James F. J. Archibald was intended to apply to the American people.

"The much-discussed letter was to my wife," he said, "and in publishing the letter it was a breach of bad form. When the British authorities pounced on these two words with avidity, they published only excerpts. The words 'idiotic yankees' referred to a New York newspaper, which had been calling us conspirators and other objectionable names. It became specially violent in publishing letters stolen from a train."

Captain von Pape, who insisted that his explanation be considered as an amicable discussion, and not as an intimation that he was here for a few days to visit the exposition and to amuse himself.

BRYAN IN COLUMBIA

In an address at Columbia, S. C., last night, William J. Bryan spoke against national preparedness. Before the lecture he said that he hoped prohibition would not be an issue in 1916, but that the campaign would be fought out on the issue of economic reforms fostered by the present administration.

MANY SHOWS IN STATE

The prevalence of the hoof and mouth disease in several states has caused circus men to favor North Carolina, it is said, and as a result this section will see several big tents this fall. North Carolina has not been bothered with the disease.

BASE STEALING RECORDS SMASHED

(By Associated Press.)
Chicago, Sept. 25.—Ty Cobb is leading the American League in four departments of the game—batting, base stealing, scoring and in total bases. He has dethroned his teammate, Crawford, in total bases, leading with 261. In base stealing Cobb has established a new record, having stolen 89, one above a record made by Milan in 1912. His batting average remains unchanged at .377. In batting Fournier has jumped from eighth place to a tie with his teammate, Eddie Collins. They are each hitting at .322. Detroit leads in club batting with 265. Boston is second with 262. Ruth, Boston, leads the pitchers, and Foster and Shore are second and third.

The fall of Cravath of Philadelphia marks the week in the National League. He is now tied for total runs by Doyle and Henchman of Pittsburgh, retaining only his lead in home runs and batting.

Doyle and Henchman, with 246 each, are tied for total bases. McCarey of Pittsburgh leads in stolen bases. To-day, Alexander and Mameaux remain the leading pitchers.

Kauff of Brooklyn leads the Federal League in batting. Brooklyn leads in club batting.

EPWORTH LEAGUERS MEET IN SPENCER

(By Miss Stanley Hall.)
Spencer, N. C., Sept. 25.—The sixth annual session of the Western North Carolina Epworth League conference of the Methodist Episcopal church, south opened here last night at 7:45 in the First Methodist church.

The church was beautifully decorated in white and gold—our league colors. Festoons of white and gold crepe paper were hung around the rostrum and white and yellow flowers were in abundance.

Our league motto, "All for Christ," in gilt letters was over the pulpit, with "E. L." in gilt behind the pulpit.

The delegates came in all during the day and were met at the station in Salisbury by the reception committee and were brought over to Spencer in the car and by automobile, where they were taken to their homes with the hospitable people of Spencer.

Quite a number of familiar faces were recognized by those who have had the pleasure of attending our previous conferences. Rev. E. L. Bain of Winston-Salem, president of the conference, was there to greet the leaguers with his pleasant smile. Rev. C. M. Perkins, conference treasurer, and also the host, was absent from the first meeting, being detained at the bedside of his wife who was confined on this morning. Mr. A. M. West of Hickory, secretary, was also absent, as his business would not permit his attending the conference.

Miss Stanley Hall, league editor, as at her post, as were several of the district superintendents. Our junior superintendent, Mrs. C. M. Picketts, is in the hospital, so is therefore absent from our midst.

The service opened with the hymn "Onward Christian Soldiers," which was very appropriate, as the leaguers are soldiers of the Cross, fighting for the right and for the salvation of the world.

The scripture lesson and prayer followed. Address of welcome was delivered by Mr. Stevenson. A vocal solo by Mrs. Easton, which was enjoyed by all, as was also the response to the address of welcome by Rev. A. M. Hyatt of Winston-Salem, which was both interesting and helpful.

A short talk by the president and the announcements for the next session closed the service.

Saturday was given over to business and Sunday two sermons will be preached in the interest of the leaguers. Rev. E. L. Bain will preach at the morning hour and Rev. G. T. Rowe at a mass meeting in the afternoon.

AGED MAN HURT IN GIN

Goldboro, Sept. 25.—W. F. Kelly is in a hospital here as the result of an accident at a cotton gin in Broden township. His arm had to be amputated, and he sustained severe lacerations on his face. Kelly is seventy-five years old.

EXTRA SESSION OF SENATE NOT LIKELY

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, Sept. 25.—President Wilson probably will not call a special session of the senate. Some senators urged that the senate be called early so that it might revise its rules to facilitate debate before the regular session, but many counseled against it.

Too Much Zinc.

The mysterious failure of certain tin fusible boiler plugs has been traced by G. K. Burgess and P. D. Merica of the United States bureau of standards, to the presence in the tin of 0.3 per cent of zinc. Heated to 190 degrees centigrade for 500 hours, plugs with this amount of impurity develop a cellular structure, the cell walls consisting of oxidized zinc, to which oxidized tin is slowly added. It is concluded that tin for boiler plugs should have a purity of at least 99.8 per cent.

MADE PROGRESS IN REVISING CITY LAWS

City council last night made rapid progress in the revision of ordinances, and it was expected that the work would be finished in two more meetings. Not many changes were made in the ordinances passed upon, and none of these were material. Safety and fire rules were taken up.

It might be considered that an automobile or other vehicle is forbidden to drive behind the fire truck at a distance less than 400 feet. This precaution is necessary in order to protect the firemen when jumping from the truck to attach the hose. An automobile running behind the truck might not stop in time to prevent injury.

The ordinances relating to the storage and handling of explosives, combustibles, etc., were not changed.

At the next special meeting council expects to consider the Sunday laws, and action may be taken on the proposition to keep the drug stores, garages and other public places closed all day on Sundays.

TWO NEW BUILDINGS

Durham, Sept. 25.—The city school board went on record as favoring two school buildings in the place of the old Morehead building which was burned last spring. One of the new buildings will be erected on the old site and the other in the northwestern section for a bond election.

A committee has been appointed to appear before the aldermen with the request for a bond election.

CERTIFICATE FOR PRETTY WINDOW

A beautiful certificate has been placed in the show window of the Yoder-Clark Clothing Company by Rice Leaders of America, it being an award for a splendid display by the local firm. Its window was one of the best in the south, and not only called forth praise, but a certificate that is likely to attract attention anywhere.

MRS. RAMSAY WILL ATTEND THE COUNCIL

Mrs. W. B. Ramsay will leave Monday for Memphis, Tenn., to attend the Women's Council for the Southern Presbyterian church. This council is composed of all the synodical presidents of the Southern Presbyterian church, and Mrs. Ramsay, as president of the North Carolina Synodical, will represent this state at this important executive council. She will also make a report on the summer school mission at Montreat.

MARKETS

NEW YORK COTTON

(By Associated Press.)
New York, Sept. 25.—The cotton market reached still higher levels during today's early trading on a strong buying movement. The active months opened strong and sold fifteen to twenty points above last night's close.

NEW YORK STOCKS

(By Associated Press.)
New York, Sept. 25.—A further rise in railroad stocks attended today's early operations, such representative issues as Reading, Pacific, Pennsylvania being in demand. Pennsylvania opened at an advance of 1 1/4 to 1 1/2. Gains in Baltimore and Ohio and Anthracite shares were noted. Baldwin rose 2 1/2 to the new high price of 95 1/2. United States Steel was unchanged at the outset but advanced 3/4.

COTTON FUTURES

New York, Sept. 25.—Cotton futures opened firm and closed steady.

	Open	Close
October	11.40	11.58
December	11.85	11.98
January	12.00	12.10
March	12.25	12.38
May	12.36	12.52

THE WEATHER

COMPARATIVE WEATHER

	Sept. 24	1915	1914
Maximum	80	83	84
Minimum	49	59	59
Mean	64 1/2	71	71
Rainfall	—	—	.43

For North Carolina: Fair tonight and Sunday; moderate northeast winds.

WARSHIPS BOMBARD THE BELGIAN COAST

(By Associated Press.)
Amsterdam, Sept. 25.—British warships again bombarded the Belgian town of Zeebrugge this morning. Three ships were engaged. The flashes were seen from the Dutch coast.

KING IN ACCORD WITH HIS PREMIER

(By the Associated Press.)
Athens, via London, Sept. 25.—King Constantine and Premier Venizelos at a conference today reached a complete agreement in both the steps already taken by the government and those contemplated in regard to the Balkan situation. Greece will fulfill her treaty obligations, it was stated.

DECEMBER THIRD DATE SET FOR HORNE'S ELECTROCUTION

Wilmington, Sept. 25.—Melvin Horne, who was last night convicted in the superior court of murder in the first degree for killing D. L. E. Capps, whom he shot to death on the streets of this city July 31 as a result of a long controversy over business transactions, was sentenced by Judge Rountree to be electrocuted on Friday, December 3. Appeal to supreme court has been taken.

No action was taken today in the superior court against the city officials indicted for alleged violations of election laws, but it is understood the cases will be continued until the next term of court.

Ida Felds, negro, submitted to murder in the second degree for killing Walter Faison, negro, and was given 20 years in the state's prison.

MECKLENBURG RAISE IS MADE TO STAND

Raleigh, Sept. 25.—The North Carolina Corporation Commission completed its order in the Mecklenburg tax case, declining to rescind its action and setting out facts to back up its course.

The order contains a recital of facts, the first being that Mecklenburg is one of the largest and most improved counties in the state, containing the largest city in North Carolina. It was the first, the commission asserts, to build one of the best road systems in the state and has almost ideal railroad facilities, and in the opinion of the commission Mecklenburg property ought to be worth some more than some of the property in the adjoining counties.

The commission contends that if there has been any error at all, it lies in the fact that there was an increase of only fifteen per cent, when, in reality, it ought to have been higher than fifteen per cent. The average assessment per acre in Mecklenburg, it is contended, on the border townships, is lower than that in the border townships in the adjoining counties.

The order sets out in detail what the values are. It also shows the comparison of assessments in the city of Charlotte with Raleigh, setting out the fact that the office buildings in Charlotte are assessed at from twenty-six to thirty per cent of their value, while similar buildings in Raleigh are assessed at from fifty to sixty-two per cent.

Then, from the record of the board of equalization in 1914, the commission sets forth that its assessed property from twenty-two to thirty per cent of what they found it had actually sold for in 1912. The commission also calls attention to the fact that the county board of equalization of Mecklenburg in making its last assessments was doing so for the express purpose of equalizing that property with all others.

Therefore, concludes the commission all other property was assessed at thirty per cent, which was greatly below the assessment in any other counties in the state, with the exception of two or three.

Mecklenburg's Hard Times.

As to the plea of "hard times," the commission says that might be a good argument against a raise in general but not at all against a raise made for the purpose of equalization. On the contrary, at the very time when other counties could most justly call upon Mecklenburg to bear its part was when that was bearing the heaviest on all. As to "tempering justice with mercy," the commission contends that it has already done so and if there is any error at all, it is in Mecklenburg's favor in not raising the assessment higher. After reviewing the facts, the commission says that the other 99 counties would feel unjustly treated if it rescinded its action.

THE CATAWBA COUNTY COUNTRY CLUB MEETS

The Catawba County Country Club of Lenoir College held its first regular meeting last night. This club is composed of about thirty young men and women from the farm, in this county. It is the intention of the club to have monthly meetings and discuss different phases of farm life. Several interesting talks were made last night by the young men and some plans were effected for the year's work. It is hoped that much good may be accomplished by these meetings and that the foundation is being laid for greater men and women of tomorrow.

DEATH OF MR. STARNES

Mr. Dave Wilson Starnes of Highland died this morning after an extended illness with typhoid fever. He is survived by a large family.

RUSSIAN POSITIONS ARE SHOWING IMPROVEMENT

From Vilna to Galician Front Muscovites are
Displaying Stubbornness--Situation in Far
North is not Favorable--Doing
Well at Other Points.

WILSON FIRM IN SUBMARINE POLICY

(By the Associated Press.)
Washington, Sept. 25.—The negotiations between Count von Bernstorff, German ambassador, and the state department over the sinking of the Arabic, will be resumed next week. The German ambassador has received several messages from his foreign office giving its opinion of evidence submitted by the United States to show that the ship was sunk without warning.

President Wilson's position is unchanged that the principles involved cannot be submitted to arbitration, although questions of fact or amounts of indemnity might be settled in that manner.

Ambassador Bernstorff is in accord with the intimation in press dispatches that Berlin desires to settle the matter, but the chief difficulties are with respect to the alleged policy of Great Britain in ordering her ships to ram submarines. The Germans want some assurance that British merchantmen will submit to visit and search.

SPECIFICATIONS FOR GRANITE FALLS DAM

Specifications covering the construction of the dam for the Granite Falls Manufacturing Company will be available at the office of Mr. A. A. Shuford in Hickory next Wednesday, it was announced today, and bids are expected to be in hand by October 5.

Notice has been sent to contractors to be on hand to bid on the work, which will be let at the site. The plant will be made to develop 400 horse power instead of 175, as at present, and the company will furnish lights for the town of Granite Falls.

It is expected that the sum of \$400,000 will be spent on the additional construction, which will include raising the dam 27 feet and putting in an electric drive.

DEATH CLAIMS THIS PIONEER LUTHERAN

(By the Associated Press.)
St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 25.—Frederick A. Uhlich, 99 years old, one of the pioneers of Lutheranism in America, died here today.

He was one of the two survivors of 700 persons to sail from Bremen in 1838 in quest of religious liberty. One ship was lost at sea and the other landed at New Orleans, the Lutherans coming up the Mississippi on flat boats.

KILLED TWO RATTLERS WITH A SINGLE SHOT

Pinetown, Sept. 25.—W. A. Bowen killed two rattlesnakes with one shot on a farm near here. The reptiles were laying close together. Both were four feet long, one having nine rattles and the other six.

Miss Nora Bowen, in the same neighborhood, was bitten by a chicken-snake, with no bad results.

SALOONS AND CHURCHES IN MINNESOTA CITY

St. Paul, Minn., Sept. 25.—Some wards in St. Paul contain one saloon for every 31 male voters while they contain only one church for every 1,145 male voters, according to a report made by Rev. A. J. D. Haunp.

CELLMATE STOLE \$400 FROM MAN IN JAIL

Grand Forks, N. D., Sept. 25.—That he was robbed in jail, was the complaint of John George, a Turk. He said he "secreted" \$400 from guards when imprisoned, but told a fellow prisoner about it. Guards heard a commotion, and rescued George. His complaint was that his antagonist had stolen his \$400. The guards could not find the money.

EXPECTS TO QUIT ON TIME

(By the Associated Press.)
Montgomery, Ala., Sept. 24.—Alabama legislature will hold its final session Saturday and adjourn sine die at midnight. Practically all legislation has been acted upon and legislators are expecting to close the session without having to turn back the clock.

(By the Associated Press.)
London, Sept. 25.—The position of the Russians from Vilna to the Galician front appears to have improved greatly, three distinct victories having been recorded at widely scattered fronts. This achievement has mitigated the uneasiness caused by the action of Bulgaria.

In the far north the situation is less favorable. The Russians are resisting von Hindenburg with characteristic stubbornness, but the admission that fighting is proceeding at Smelin, four miles from Provsk, indicates that the approaches to the tatter town are in the hands of the Germans.

East of Vilna and north of Lutsk, the Germans have progressed. Notwithstanding his successes near Pilsk von Mackensen was called back in an engagement that has shaken his grip on the city. Farther south the Russians now are holding Lutsk and are pressing their advantage.

Athens states that mobilization is proceeding today and that thousands of men are already in uniform.

In the center the Russians are still falling back, while in the north Field Marshal von Hindenburg continues to make progress with his offensive against Dvinsk, although at a much slower rate than formerly, as the Russians are stiffening their resistance.

East of Vilna the Germans admit a temporary check, during which they lost ground to the Russians.

There has been a continuation of the furious artillery struggle in the west. According to the Berlin official report a British attack south of the LaBasse canal broke down under the German fire.

After a fortnight of comparative inactivity during which they sank only five British merchant ships German submarines again are on the move off the Irish coast. Since Tuesday they have sent five British steamers to the bottom.

TALKING WATERWAYS

Congressmen Hall and Moore Are in Raleigh.

Raleigh, Sept. 25.—Congressman John H. Small of the first district and Congressman J. Hampton Moore of Pennsylvania spent yesterday afternoon here conferring with city authorities and Governor Craig in preparation for 200 or more delegates to the Savannah convention of the Atlantic Deepwaterways Association to stop over here November 8 for a few hours en route to Savannah. They met with the heartiest co-operation and every possible arrangement will be made for the occasion.

Both congressmen talked enthusiastically of the great inland waterway project which is to cost about \$45,000,000 and open up a great trunk line of 1,800 miles with branches through inland rivers of more than 5,000 miles. Mr. Small talked forcibly of the immense benefits that will come to all of North Carolina through this great development in giving new bases for low water rates at Wilmington.

New Bern, Washington, Edenton and Elizabeth City.

Congressman Moore said that he observed at Norfolk yesterday no less than 20 barges and unmasted schooners with pine from North Carolina and Virginia destined for Philadelphia to be distributed by rail to interior points at greatly increased cost to the consumer.

He says the inland waterway will greatly benefit North Carolina's lumber trade. Especially, he says, will benefit come from increasing the carrying capacity of the Chesapeake and Delaware canal to greater depth than nine feet and greater width than 24 feet, the present limits. The Savannah convention is expected to take important action looking to brightening the national government to more complete support for this great movement for the inland waterway.

NEW ENTERPRISES

Raleigh, Sept. 25.—The Kingston Belt Line Company, Kingston, was chartered with \$25,000 capital authorized and \$5,000 subscribed for the purpose of constructing and operating a belt line of steam railroad about the city and electric car line through the streets, both for passengers and freight and to be limited in extent to five miles from Kingston in any direction. The incorporators are J. T. Deal, M. L. German, W. S. Spottswood and G. V. Cowper.

Another charter is for the Wood-Railiff Company of King's Mountain, capital \$5,000 authorized and subscribed by E. H. Wood, J. C. Ratliff and Nina E. Wood.

There is an amendment for the charter of the Healing Springs Company, Lexington, changing the home office to Denton. J. M. Daniels is president.

THE RECORDER'S COURT

No cases were tried in recorder's court yesterday afternoon, and the affair case was continued until Tuesday's session. Chief Lentz said today that the past four days had been the quietest in several months.

COCA COLA MEN HERE.

Messrs. R. L. Ellis, N. M. Beadles and Dr. B. W. Webster of Asheville and Mr. G. W. Kirkpatrick of Murfreesboro, owners and managers of Coca Cola plants in their towns, were visitors to Hickory today, guests of Mr. Hugh Williams, manager of the local plant. The Hickory plant, which is one of the most modern in the country, was hustling.